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(OMEGA LTD.),		91214452
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OPPOSER,		91214454
VS.		
	Serial Nos.	85/855823
ALPHA OMEGA EPSILON, INC.		85/857062
		85/857065
APPLICANT.		85/855839

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL LEGAL AUTHORITY PERTINENT TO ALPHA OMEGA EPSILON'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Comes the Applicant, Alpha Omega Epsilon, by counsel and pursuant to TBMP § 528.05(a)(1), Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Board supplemental legal authority issued after briefing of the summary judgment motion, namely, *Jack Wolfskin Ausrustung Fur Draussen GMBH & Co. KGAA v. New Millenium Sports, S.L.U.,* 797 F. 3d 1363 (Fed. Cir. 2015). This is a precedential decision from the Federal Circuit relevant to the issues under consideration in this proceeding. In *Jack Wolfskin*, the Federal Circuit reversed a TTAB finding holding as follows:

We conclude . . . that the Board incorrectly found a likelihood of confusion between the two marks because the Board failed to properly compare [the marks] *as a whole*. . . and also failed to recognize, in light of the significant evidence of paw prints appearing in third-party registration and usage for clothing, the relatively narrow scope of protection afforded to marks involving paw prints.

Id. And as further noted by the Federal Circuit therein, "evidence of third-party use of similar marks on similar goods [and services] 'can show that customers have been educated to distinguish between different marks on the basis of minute distinctions.'" *Id.* at 1374 (*quoting*

Juice Generation, Inc. v. GS Enters. LLC, 2015 U.S. App. LEXIS 12456, at *3 (Fed. Cir. July 20, 2015)).

ACCORDINGLY, Applicant submits this decision and the reasoning resulting in same is relevant to the issues under consideration in this proceeding and requests that the Board provide this new authority appropriate consideration in the course of its consideration of the pending Motion for Summary Judgment.

Respectfully requested,

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